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Technology in Textile Sector
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has assessed the existing potential for use of technology in the textile sector and if so, the details thereof;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to strengthen the textile sector and the schemes launched in this regard; and

(c) the estimated annual growth rate of the textile sector at present?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
(SHRI AJAY TAMTA)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. A key intervention of the Ministry for promotion of the textile sector is in the area of technology upgradation. Ministry provides subsidies under different schemes for the various segments of the textile value chain as well as for the handloom, handicrafts, jute and silk sector for upgrading use of technology and thereby benefit from productivity improvements. The Central Silk Board, which is an R&D institution, the Textile Research Associations are also given financial assistance to conduct research in improved use of technology in the textile sector. Space technology is being leveraged to establish cotton crop information system for better estimation of the crop, which is also implemented for the jute schemes. Schemes such as the Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (TUFS), Scheme for Development of Technical Textiles, Schemes for the Development of the Powerloom Sector, Scheme for Integrated Textile Parks (SITP), Integrated Skill Development Scheme (ISDS), Schemes for Development of Silk and Sericulture sectors, National Handloom Development Programme (NHDP), Comprehensive Handloom Cluster Development Scheme (CHCDS), Yarn Supply Scheme, National Handicrafts Development Programme (NHDP), In situ Upgradation of Plain Powerloom Scheme for upgrading the obsolete Powerlooms to semi-automatic and automatic looms, North East Region Textiles Promotion Scheme (NERTPS), are implemented by the Ministry.

(c): A statement in this regard is given below:-

Table: Production of Man-made Fibre, Filament Yarn, Spun Yarn and Cloth
(Figures in Millions)

Product\Period	2015-16	2015-16 (Apr-Dec)	2016-17 (Apr-Dec)	%Variation (Apr- Dec)
Man-made Fibre	1347	998	1038	4.01
Man-Made Filament Yarn	1164	872	862	-1.15
Cotton Yarn	4138	3109	3031	-2.51
Blended & 100% Non Cotton Yarn	1527	1142	1219	6.74
Total(Spun Yarn)[3+4]	5665	4251	4250	-0.02
Cloth(Mill Sector)	2315	1741	1725	-0.92
Cloth(Decentralized Sector)	62269	46360	46010	-0.75
Total (Exc. Khadi, wool, Silk)[6+7]	64584	48101	47735	-0.76

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